### RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

FEB 0 1 2005

Confidentiality Note:

The information contained in this faciliable message is confidential and its contents are intended to be legally privileged information solely for the use of the addressee. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution, copying or other use of this message and its contents is strictly prohibited. If you have received this facsimile in error, please notify us immediately by felephone and return the original message to us at the address shown below via air courier service, the United States Postal Service or your national postal service (air mail). Thank You.

# ALSTON&BIRD LLP

3201 Beechleaf Court, Suite 600 Raleigh, NC 27604-1062

> 919-862-2200 Fax: 919-862-2260

## TELECOPY

PLEASE DELIVER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

DATE: February 1, 2005

TO:Commissioner for Patents

FROM: Kelly J. Williamson

Patent Agent

Appl. No.:

FEB. -01' 05 (TUE) 12:19

09/973.375 Stein et al.

Applicant(s): October 9, 2001

Filed: Art Unit: Examiner:

1617 Jiang, Shaojia A.

Title:

METHODS FOR THE TREATMENT OF A TRAUMATIC CENTRAL.

NERVOUS SYSTEM INJURY

Attachments:

Amendment(10 pages)

NO. OF PAGES: 11 (Including cover page)

OPERATOR:

Confirmation No.: 5877

(703) 872-9106

IF NOT RECEIVED PROPERLY, PLEASE NOTIFY ME IMMEDIATELY AT (919) 862-2200

USER CODE: LAKE CLIENT/MATTER:

007157/239838

REQUESTED BY:

Pam Lockley

FAX NUMBER: VOICE NUMBER:

RTA01/2110098v1

PAGE 1/11 \* RCVD AT 2/1/2005 12:26:26 PM TEastern Standard Time! \* SVR:USPTO-EFXRF-1/2 \* DNIS:8729306 \* CSID:9198622260 \* DURATION (mm-ss):06-08

## RECEIVED **CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

FEB 0 1 2005

PATENT

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 09/973 375

Stein et al.

Confirmation No.: 5877

Applicant(s): Filed:

October 9, 2001

Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: Jiang, Shaoija A.

Title: METHODS FOR THE TREATMENT OF A TRAUMATIC CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM INTURY

07157/239838 (5543-17) Docket No.:

Customer No.: 00826

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### AMENDMENT 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.